

AGENDA



To: Cllr J Roberts (Chair)
Cllr M Barnes
Cllr P Godwin
Cllr O Kareem
Cllr K Poole
Cllr S Terry

Cllr J Beadle (Vice-Chair)
Cllr G Fancourt
Cllr R Godwin
Cllr J Llewellyn
Cllr G Shelton
Cllr S Ward

CC: Cllr V Hawker
Laura Stewart, Clerk's Assistant

Date: 15th October 2026

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are invited to a meeting of the General Purposes Committee that will take place on **Wednesday, 21st October 2026**, commencing at approximately 7.15pm, in the Ray Shill Room, following a meeting of the Planning Committee.

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of its functions; Equal Opportunity (age, race, gender, sexual orientation, faith, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder (Section 17), Health and Safety and Human Rights.

Consideration should be given to the impact of Council decisions on climate change and biodiversity, in line with its policies. Members should do what they can to reduce the Council's carbon footprint and environmental impact, where reasonably possible.

Members are also reminded that **photographing, recording, broadcasting or transmitting the proceedings of a meeting by any means is now permitted under the Openness of Local Government Bodies Regulations 2014.**

The records of these meetings are available to view, by written request to the Clerk.

The meeting Agenda follows for your information.

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Clerk of the Council

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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest** - Members are reminded that they should, at all times, observe the Code in carrying out their duties and that they signed such an undertaking in their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

In addition, Members are reminded to declare any new Interests or notify the Monitoring Officer of any changes to their existing Register of Interests.

3. **Previous Minutes** – Minutes of the General Purposes Committee Meeting held on 16th September 2026 (copy circulated to Members) for approval and signature.

4. **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

GP/119/26 Northway Playing Field > Clay Shrinkage Cracks – Tewkesbury Town FC have expressed gratitude following the Parish Council's contribution of £100.00.

GP/119/26 Northway Playing Field > Reenactment Training – Approval was given for re-enactment training to take place on the field (subject to receipt of a risk assessment and PLI details).

GP/122/26 Bee Hives – Residents were advised to contact Tewkesbury Borough Council about possible locations for placement of bee hives.

GP/124/26 Daffodils – A donation of £50 has been made towards daffodil bulbs which have since been planted.

GP/126/26 Gloucestershire Playing Fields Association – Membership to GPFA has been renewed.

GP/128/28 Bus Shelter – Thanks was passed to the Litter Picker following removal of graffiti from the bus shelter in Willis Walk.

5. **Northway Playing Field**

i. **Northway Play Park**

- a. **Inspection Reports** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Play Park. To agree any necessary action.
- b. **Play Train** – To receive quotation(s) for installation of replacement panels. To consider or agree approval or any other action.

ii. **Northway Skatepark**

- a. **Inspection Reports** – To receive inspection reports relating to the skatepark and agree any necessary action.
- b. **Sealing** – To receive quotations for cleaning and re-sealing of the skatepark. To consider and agree action.

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5. **Northway Playing Field** (continued)

- c. **Event/Lessons** – An application for funding towards another skatepark event and scooter/skateboard lessons has been declined. To consider or agree any further action.
- iii. **MUGA/Outdoor Gym** – To receive inspection reports relating to the MUGA and outdoor gym equipment and agree any necessary action.
- iv. **BMX Humps** – To receive inspection reports relating to the BMX Humps. To approve any necessary action or repairs.
- v. **Footpath/Surfacing** – To again review the condition of the footpath and consider or agree any further action.
- vi. **Drinking Water Facility** – An application for funding towards installation of a water refill station at the field has been declined. To consider or agree any further action.
- vii. **Use of Field** – To receive requests to use the field for:
 - 1. Football session(s)
 - 2. A charity event.To consider or agree action.
- viii. **Brambles** – To receive complaint of brambles encroaching into residential property. To agree any necessary action.
- ix. **Other Action** – To consider or agree any other actions relating to the Playing Field.

6. **Joan's Field** –

- i. **Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust** – To receive update following meeting with Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust at Joan's Field on 21st October 2026 and agree any action.
- ii. **Wasp Nests** – To receive complaint about wasp nests and agree action, if necessary.
- iii. **Other Issues** – To consider or agree any other actions relating to Joan's Field.

7. **Platinum Park**

- i. **Teenage Shelter** – To receive inspection reports relating to the Teenage Shelter and agree necessary action(s).
- ii. **Bench** – To receive report on cracks around bench from Cllr Barnes following his inspection (Min Ref: GP/121/26 refers). To agree any necessary action.
- iii. **Trees**
 - a. **Existing** – To receive quotations (if available), as well as any response from GCC, regarding replacement trees for Platinum Park (Min Ref: GP/121/26). To agree any necessary action.

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7. **Platinum Park** (continued)
 - b. **Tree Planting** – To receive response from GCC regarding potential funding or assistance with planting trees alongside The Park road (Min Ref: GP/121/26 refers). To agree action.
 - iv. **Other Issues** – To consider and agree any other actions relating to Platinum Park.
8. **Hawthorn Way**
 - i. **Ball Games** –
 - a. **Signage** - To receive an update following installation of a No Ball Games sign (Min Ref: GP/123/26 refers) and details of any correspondence. To consider or agree any further action.
 - b. **Play Equipment** – To receive initial feedback/prices from firms relating to installation of play equipment on the green in Hawthorn Way. To consider consulting with residents, applying for grants or any other action.
 - ii. **Brick Wall** – To receive an update relating to repair of this wall and consider action (Min Ref: GP/123/26 refers).
9. **Fruit Press** – To receive feedback following trial of the fruit press (Min Ref: C/205/26 refers) and agree any action.
10. **Mural** – To consider organising another art mural project (Min Ref: GP/88/26 refers) including suggestion of the teenage shelter as a potential location (Min Ref: GP/90/26 refers).
11. **Newsletter** – To receive draft copy of the newsletter (attached for Members) and agree any amendments. To approve any necessary action.
12. **Parish Maintenance Contract**
 - i. **Emergency Contractors** – To review Council's emergency contractors and make any changes.
 - ii. **Grange Road** – To receive update regarding maintenance of land opposite The Northway Centre and agree action.
 - iii. **Tree Inspections** – To receive information on group tree inspection training (if available) (Min Ref: GP/130/26 refers) and agree any action.
 - iv. **Maintenance/Grass Cutting** – To review maintenance works being undertaken and consider or agree any amendments ahead of next year's contract.
 - v. **Other Issues** – To consider any other issues relating to maintenance in the parish and agree necessary action.

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13. **Policies** – To undertake an annual review of the policies relating to this committee and approve any amendments.
14. **Budget for the Financial Year 2027/2028** – To discuss and agree the financial requirements of the Committee to be incorporated as part of the Council's Budget and Precept (to be tabled at the meeting).
15. **Drainage and Flooding**
 - i. **Reports** – To receive any reports from Members on flooding and agree any action.
 - ii. **Flood Warden** –
 - a. To receive report from Flood Warden. To also receive any correspondence from GRCC relating to this role and agree any action.
 - b. To receive annual report (what achieved, group training, equipment or lack of, maintaining of watercourses, liaison undertaken with other agencies).
16. **'Report It'** - To receive list of issues reported to authorities (including TBC, GCC or Glos Constabulary) over the past month. To consider any action that may be required.
17. **Correspondence for Information**
 - i. **GRCC** – Various correspondence.
 - ii. **AP Fulfilment Services** – Details of services.
 - iii. **Itemit Team** – Details of asset registration service.
18. **Correspondence received after 15th October 2026**